



First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

Order of Worship - November 23, 2025 - Thanksgiving Sunday

Prelude	<i>Nun danket alle Gott</i> (BWV 657)	J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
Welcome & Call to Worship		Rev. Will Burhans
Processional Hymn	<i>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come</i> (vv. 1, 2, 4)	Pilgrim Hymnal, #461
Morning Prayer The Lord's Prayer Act of Praise - Gloria Patri		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Presentation of 3rd Grade Bibles		Maggie Keeler
Hymn	<i>We Gather Together</i>	Pilgrim Hymnal, #21
Scripture	Luke 1:5-25	
Sermon	"He Who Has No Voice"	Rev. Will Burhans
Anthem	<i>The Thanksgiving Song</i>	Mary Chapin Carpenter
Offertory		
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Closing Hymn	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	New Century Hymnal, #419
Announcements/Benediction		Rev. Will Burhans
Postlude	<i>Variations on "Kremser,"</i> vs. 6	Daniel Berghout (b. 1967)

Rev. Will Burhans, Lead Pastor, **Rev. Maeve Hammond**, Associate Pastor, **Jane Ring Frank**, Minister of Worship & the Arts, **Maggie Keeler**, Minister of Children & Families, **Jeffrey Mead**, Keyboards, **Sarah Marino**, Office Administrator.
Thanks to **Brian McArdle**, our Live Stream Technician, and **Leslie French** for Slide Advancement.
Deacons serving today are: **Betsy Goodell**, **Andy McKinley**, **Eileen Morris**, and **Branda Wilhoite**.



First Congregational Church in Winchester is proud to be Open & Affirming.

For decades, we have celebrated our LGBTQIA+ siblings and their inclusion in all parts of our worship and congregational life. In 2001, we became Open & Affirming through the UCC, meaning we are liturgically and theologically committed to a public covenant of welcome.

Visitors, get connected!

Please tell us about yourself and/or request a prayer.
Fill out a Welcome/Prayer Request Card found in the pews.

Please keep these people in your prayers

Keith Russell for peace and comfort in the dying process, and for **his family**.

Holding in our thoughts and prayers **those struggling with addiction and alcoholism or any other "ism"**. The holidays are triggering for many. Peace to **all who have been on this journey**.

Smooth recovery, healing, and support for **Don, Libby Holman's stepfather**.

Strength and comfort for **Julia's sister, Anne** as she battles Stage 4 cancer.

Strength for and protection over **John Keeley's friend, Anthony**.

Kelsey, goddaughter of Frank Willwerth, for strength as she navigates continued uncertainty.

Karen Roberts, for healing after surgery.

Kevin Kattwinkel, Susan K. Navien's brother, for healing from oral cancer.

Peggy Stephens, dear neighbor of the Nordstroms, who had hip replacement surgery on Tuesday, Oct 14.

Pat Fazekas, Larisa Lindsey's aunt, for healing from a broken hip.

Pat and his family, friends of the Keelers, for comfort and healing.

Arthur Cobb for living with Parkinson's and **Lucy Sanders** for management of her bipolar.

Vanessa, newly diagnosed with previously unrecognized MS, for healing.

Members of the Richter family who are having a very difficult personal time.

Tricia Marino, Pam McPherson's cousin, who is recovering from back surgery.

Pam's dear friend, Claire Joyce who recently suffered a stroke that she is back to herself soon.

Healing and recovery for **Michelle Millben's mother**, who has recently undergone surgery.

Jennifer, daughter of Barbara and Bob Davis, as she recovers from surgery and now faces chemo treatments.

Becky-domestic difficulty.

Olivia, for the strength and courage to hold on to recovery and the self-love to move forward with life.

Cooper Sayre — please pray for continued recovery, especially in walking and vision, and also for left arm function.

Kathy Ciolino, friend of Linda Alexander, as she slowly and steadily recovers from an aneurysm bleed.

Prayers of healing and comfort for **Bruce Lauterwasser's Aunt Joan and her daughter Babs** who is offering support to her at a difficult time.

Glenn McPherson, Tony McPherson's brother, for healing as he awaits a kidney transplant.

Flowers

Today's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Marsha Lamson by the Lamson family.

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